

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1424
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Cess on Environmental Clearance
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received any proposal for levying cess/fees to process applications for environmental clearance by State Pollution Control Boards so as to facilitate providing infrastructure and manpower requirements of these boards;
- (b) if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether the State Pollution Control Boards would be empowered to levy such fees; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI ANIL MADHAV DAVE)

- (a) State Pollution Control Boards/Union Territory Pollution Control Committees are not competent to grant Environmental Clearance.
- (b) to (d) Does not arise in view of answer at (a) above.
